National Urban Transport Policy

778. SHRI R. KAMARAJ:
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to formulate a new people-centric National Urban Transport Policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the Government's action plan under this project to address road safety, trauma response and associating the public sector in this task;

(d) whether it is a fact that Government had taken a decision to encourage each city with a population of over four million to plan for mass rapid transit system; and

(e) whether it is a also a fact that Government had decided to extend 60 percent Central assistance for preparing detailed project report and financial support as soon as the projects are approved?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (e) The Government has proposed a National Urban Transport Policy which, inter alia, recommends that priority be accorded to public transport and non-motorized transport. It also recommends integrated land use and transport planning. It offers Central Government's financial support through equity participation/viability gap funding for mass transit systems in large cities.

The policy also proposes segregated tracks for bicycles and pedestrians, which would go a long way in addressing issues of road safety.

The Government is currently extending suport to the extent of 40% of the cost for Detailed Project Reports and Traffic and Transportation studies.

Land allotment to educational institutions

779. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the audit report relating to the allotment of Nazul lands by the Delhi Development Authority to the educational institutions during